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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2004 be extended for a period of 3 months from September 28, 2004 to December 28, 2004. Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for such extension of time.

Please charge the required fee, estimated to be \$1020, with this application and to credit any overpayments to Novo Nordisk, Inc., Deposit Account No. 14-1447. Please charge any additional fees, should they be required, to Deposit Account No. 14-1447. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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